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GUPTA, Piyush and KUMAR, P. R., "The Capacity of Wireless Networks", IEEE Transactions On Information Theory, Vol. 46, No. 2, March 2000, pp. 388-404.

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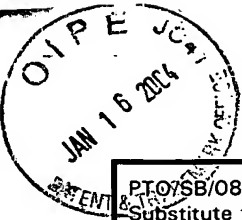
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